

Central Coventry Fire District

January 16, 2007 - 7:00 pm

MINUTES

1.Call to Order Time: 7:01 PM

2.Roll Call

President: Girard Bouchard – VP: Michael New (left @ 7:40pm)

Richard Tellier - John Bowen - Anna Mae Lapinski

Linda Bennet - Chief Seltzer - Asst. Chief Scott Tucker

Lt. Kevin Schnell, F/F Jim Almagno

Tax Collector - Jeanne Graemiger

Tom LaColle, Robert Crowe, Joe Bonn, Chief Hoxsie – Not Present

3.Approval of Minutes of the previous Board of Directors Meeting

11/27/06 & 12/19/06 – accepted as presented

Motion: John Bowen Seconded: Anna Mae Lapinski

Unanimous Vote

4.Old Business

Abatements

Lucy Warner, 1516 Main St, presented her paperwork to show her total income for tax credit. Paperwork passed on to Tax Collector to process credit.

Awards Dinner – work in progress

5. President's Report – accepted as presented

Motion: Mike New Seconded: Richard Tellier

Station 7 is working on the Kitchen. Mr. Bouchard has not been back to Station 4 to see progress there. Chief Seltzer said construction is done. Painting will be started then ceiling and floor will be done and that's it. A letter was received back from Attorney General's Office regarding the veteran's exemptions. Letter stated we needed to consult our own attorney. Chief Seltzer suggested we consult either Atty Paul Sprague or Atty Maggie Hogan, who worked on the consolidation and has done a lot of work with fire districts. Mrs. Hall is to provide information to Chief Seltzer who will consult Atty Sprague.

6. Chief's report – accepted as presented

Motion: Richard Tellier Seconded: Anna Mae Lapinski

Unanimous Vote

Administration

3. Sub-Committee to look into alternative funding opportunities Richard Tellier, Anna Mae Lapinski, Chief Seltzer and one member of the public.

8. Mr. Bouchard agreed with the Chief Seltzer's assessment that the new CFD board is in some turmoil. Mr. Tellier agreed saying that we

are still working out things here and they need to work out their issues before we consider adding them to the merge. Although there seems to be good communication with Chief Beckman, the new CFD board president has not had good things to say about us. Chief Seltzer thought it would be a good idea to send a short letter saying we look forward to continuing the relationship with Chief Beckman that we had with Chief Warren and offering any assistance we can provide to make it clear to the CFD board that we are keeping that line of communication open. The Board agreed this was a good idea and the letter should be signed by both Chief Seltzer and President Bouchard.

7.Treasurer's Report

Motion: Anna Mae Lapinski Seconded: Richard Tellier

Unanimous Vote

Tom LaColle not in attendance but did send a report. Also he is working on getting direct deposit set up he is having an issue with the Coventry Credit Union. Chief Seltzer will ask for year to date figures to compare with last year.

8.Tax Collector's Report

Motion: Richard Tellier Seconded: Anna Mae Lapinski

Unanimous Vote

Mr. Bouchard has had questions about processing time for payments sent in thru the mail. Mrs. Graemiger said long processing times are due to the backlog of mail from dealing with many

taxpayers problems when the bills first went out. Opal has sent a bill for maintenance for the consolidated district, \$2,500. This covers July 1, 2007 thru June 30, 2008. Also they sent a past due bill for the Harris FD of \$1,212. Mr. Bouchard will check into the Harris bill. Haven Health has an overpayment of \$3,000 from TY2005. Mrs. Graemiger has made many phone calls and sent faxes to them with no response. Haven Health no longer owns the property. She will turn over the information to Mr. LaColle for a refund to be issued. There are also 3 other refunds for properties involved with the Washington-Anthony lawsuit. Mrs. Graemiger presented 3 letters from taxpayers requesting an abatement of interest. These will be on the agenda for the next meeting. Stephen Cardi had called regarding property that had been involved in a lawsuit with Tiogue FD. Chief Seltzer will call Attorney Friend who handled the case to get more information. Sts John & Paul Church had a past due amount from 2004 for which they provided a cancelled check to show payment. Also they did not receive a bill for 2005 so there is interest on their account. They will be brining their account current but Mrs. Graemiger recommends we abate the interest.

9.New Business:

Resolutions regarding Accounts at Centerville Bank

Mrs. Hall read the resolutions from Centerville Bank regarding adding Mr. LaColle and Mr. Bouchard as signatories on the CCFD account there.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the resolutions as read.

Motion: Richard Tellier Seconded: John Bowen

10.Introduction of new business to be considered at the next Board of Directors meeting:

No additional items.

11.Adjournment

Motion: John Bowen Seconded: Anna Mae Lapinski

Time: 8:30pm